



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:  
**Trautman, et al.**  
FOR: **APPARATUS AND METHOD  
FOR PIERCING SKIN WITH  
MICROPROTRUSIONS**  
SERIAL NO: **09/976,798**  
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## **NOTIFICATION OF FILING OF CONTINUATION APPLICATION**

Notification is hereby being made of the filing of a continuation application for the above referenced case, concurrently herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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